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NEWS RELEASE

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City provides annual Fall Cleanup week of November 3rd

The Branson Public Works Department will be conducting its annual fall cleanup beginning Monday, November 3rd through Thursday, November 6th, to help residents properly dispose of large unwanted items at no cost. This is a semi-annual event which is part of an ongoing effort to keep Branson beautiful. *This year's cleanup is scheduled two weeks earlier due to Veteran's Week activities.*

The cleanup service is available for individual residents of Branson, but not for businesses or commercial entities. This provides residents within the City Limits the opportunity to get rid of large unwanted and difficult to manage items like old appliances, furniture and mattresses which are not typically picked up by residential trash haulers.

The pick-up date for Ward I is on Monday, November 3rd; Ward II is on Tuesday, November 4th; and Ward III is on Wednesday, November 5th. Brush and limbs will be picked up in all three wards on Thursday, November 6th.

If a resident is unsure of their ward residence, they should refer to where they voted in the most recent election. If persons voted at the Community Center on Compton Drive, they are in Ward I. If they voted at the Presbyterian Church in Downtown, they are in Ward II; and if they voted at the Methodist Church on Highway 76, they are in Ward III.

Also, a map of the city's three wards is available online at www.bransonmo.gov. Locate the "GIS & Maps" link on the lower left portion of the page, then open the "Ward Map" on the that page.

All items, including brush must be at the curb by 8 a.m. on the day of pick-up. Crews will not backtrack. Items not placed out for pickup by the deadline will NOT be picked up and will not be eligible for participation in this city service. Property owners who miss the deadline must make separate arrangements on their own to have the materials picked up.

City crews will not pick up any garbage normally collected by private refuse haulers.

Limbs and brush do not need to be bundled, but must be cut and stacked at the curb in manageable 4-6' piles. No more than one dump truck load of limbs and brush will be hauled from any one residence.

City crews **WILL NOT** collect tires, batteries, televisions, computer monitors, bagged leaves or household hazardous waste products. Here is where those items can be disposed:

- **TIRES:** Taney County Transfer Station Call 336-6589
- **HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS:** Accepted year round at Branson Recycle Center, located at 601 Compton Drive, in Branson. The center is open Monday thru Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **ELECTRONICS:** The Best Buy store in Branson Hills recycles household electronics. See “recycling” at www.bestbuy.com for details. The Staples store on Highway 248 in Branson will also accept household electronics of all kinds. Also, Computer Recycling of Springfield accepts TVs and computers for a small fee. Call 417-866-2588. Call or check web sites for hours and what items they will accept.
- **BAGGED LEAVES:** The nearest options to dispose of green waste are the Hansen’s Tree Service facilities in Reeds Spring and Ozark. Call Hansen’s at 272-8733 for information. Sunny Hills Garden Center in Kirbyville also accepts bagged leaves and other yard waste, year round. Call 417-339-4437 for information.

For the pick-up of exceptionally heavy items such as sofas or large appliances, residents are asked to call 243-2725 at least 24 hours before their scheduled pick-up day. A separate truck will haul away these items.

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